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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2013 10:18 PM
To: District Applications
Subject: Application for Citizens Redistricting Commission
Attachments: David Art Commission Application FORM.pdf

Hello,

Attached, Please find my application for the Citizens Redistricting Commission.
Please reply to confirm this has been received.

Thank you very much,

David Art

APPLICATION FOR THE INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Please submit your completed application
by email to district.applications@austintexas.gov
by mail or in person to:
Office of the City Auditor
301 W. 2nd Street Suite 2130
Austin, TX 78701

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*Application Period:
January 18, 2013
through
February 22, 2013*

**FOR ASSISTANCE WITH INTERPRETING KEY TERMS, SEE THE GLOSSARY
AT THE END OF THIS APPLICATION**

**MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS CAN BE FOUND IN
THE CITY AUDITOR'S INTERPRETIVE GUIDANCE AND THE CITY CHARTER
AT WWW.AUSTINTEXAS.GOV/10-ONE**

You must submit an electronic application to district.applications@austintexas.gov
or provide a signed application to the Office of the City Auditor in person or by mail at:

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Austin, TX 78701

Submission Deadline: February 22, 2013

DUTIES AND TERMS OF SERVICE

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission **duties** include:

1. Conduct duties with integrity and fairness.
2. Conduct an open and transparent process to enable full public consideration of and comment on the drawing of district lines to include an open hearing process.
3. Draw district lines in accordance with specific redistricting criteria in the Charter.
4. Adopt a final redistricting plan and certify the plan to the Austin City Council.
5. Issue a report that explains the basis on which the Commission made its decisions.

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission Member **terms of service** include:

1. Members of the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) will not be compensated for serving, but are eligible to receive reimbursement of reasonable and necessary expenses related to Commission duties. Guidance on what is considered "reasonable and necessary" will be provided by the appropriate authority at a later date.
2. Serve a term of office that expires when the first member of the succeeding Commission is appointed in the year after the next national census is taken.
3. Members of the Commission will be subject to the following restrictions on their future activities:
 - For a period of **10** years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person **will not** be eligible to be elected to the Austin City Council.
 - For a period of **three** years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person **may not** hold appointed office for the City of Austin.
 - For a period of **three** years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person **may not**:
 - Serve as a City employee or as a paid consultant to the City of Austin.
 - Serve as a paid consultant to a member of the City Council in the council member's private capacity; or
 - Receive a non-competitively bid contract with the City of Austin.

**APPLICATION FOR THE
INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION**

2013

Please complete this section legibly.

Name of Applicant: Art David T
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

Voter Registration Number (VUID): 1139949816

Residence Address (must be a fixed location in the City of Austin):

904 Robertson St Austin TX 78703
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip)

Mailing Address (if different from Residence Address)

(Street Address or PO Box) (City) (State) (Zip)

Contact Phone: 512-565-3496

Contact Email Address: davidart56@gmail.com

Spouse's Name: Ridley Kerry Anne
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

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Please check YES or NO by each requirement. If you answer YES to question one (1), you may skip questions four (4) and five (5).

1. Are you a student enrolled in a community college or university in the City of Austin? ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. Do you reside in the City of Austin? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Are you registered to vote in the City of Austin? ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. Have you been continuously registered to vote in the City of Austin for the five years immediately preceding the date on which you submit this application? ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. Please indicate whether you voted in the following City of Austin general elections (or corresponding runoff if applicable):

City of Austin General Elections	Candidate Response
May 12, 2012	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 14, 2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 9, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 10, 2008	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 13, 2006	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Conflicts of Interest

The information below is required to help the City Auditor identify any conflict of interest you may have.

Within 5 years of the application date, have <i>you or your spouse</i>:	
Been appointed to a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been elected to a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been a candidate for a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a political party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of the campaign committee of a candidate for elective state, county, or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been a registered state or local lobbyist?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within 3 years of the application date, have <i>you or your spouse</i> been:	
A paid employee of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to the City of Austin or the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A controlling person of a person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to the City of Austin or the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to any member of the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A controlling person of a person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to any member of the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
In the last City Election did <i>you or your spouse</i>:	
Contribute or bundle one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more in aggregate to candidates for City of Austin elective office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Personal Background Information

- **Ethnicity:** European
- **Race:** white
- **Gender:** ☒ Male ☐ Female
- **Age: (Please check your response)**

☐ 18 to 24
☐ 25 to 34
☐ 35 to 44
☐ 45 to 54
☒ 55 to 64
☐ 65+
- **Education level: (Please check any that apply)**

☐ High School Diploma or GED

☐ Some College (major _____)

☐ Associate's Degree (major _____)

☒ Bachelor's Degree (major Env Studies)

☐ Post-Graduate Degree, indicate highest degree attained: (subject _____)

Qualifications

Please describe your relevant analytical skills.

I have extensive training and education focused in the sciences and engineering disciplines. My secondary education included studies at Columbia Basin College, Washington State University and focused on Wildlife Biology. I earned a BS Degree from Huxley College of Environmental Sciences, Western Washington University. I served a summer internship with Redwood National Park, volunteering in an outdoor education facility. My science experience has ranged from running a National Science Foundation funded biological study investigating the effects of ultrasonic radiation on embryonic tissue (the initial safety study on ultrasonic imaging for medical purposes), expedition style inventory studies of the Porcupine and Susitna Rivers in Alaska, with the US Forest Service and Soil Conservation Service, performing timber & vegetation inventories, and soil identification surveys. I also volunteered during an AMD work sabbatical, on the R/V Knorr, a Woods Hole Oceanography Institute research vessel, on a trans Atlantic cruise studying the nitrogen fixation cycle of the aquatic environment.

I have worked as an engineer in the semiconductor industry in Austin for last 24 years. During employment at Sematech, I studied, researched, and reported on future factory designs. Duties at AMD and Spansion include construction management, factory design, and high purity process system design and operation requiring analytical and problem solving skills. I also managed the Facilities CAD and Documentation organization. These factories are producing some of the leading edge semiconductor products in the world. I am comfortable working on problem solving teams, analyzing large amounts of data.

Please describe your ability to be impartial.

I have traveled extensively throughout the world for business and pleasure and have been exposed to a wide variety of cultures and societies. From volunteering with Engineers Without Borders, on a water supply system in a remote mountain village in the Laos highlands, to vacationing in Central America, Europe, Asia, visiting for a period with a UT study abroad program in Tuscany, Italy, and business travel in Germany and Japan involving design and construction of AMD and Spansion factories, I have worked and lived with a wide range of cultural stations, and communication styles.

For this role I understand that impartiality and an ability to consider all views is critical to a successful outcome. So I share this attribute and am known amongst friends, family, and professional associates as a person who can have a political discussion, promote a particular political bias and remain calm and open to hearing another person's alternate political view.

Please describe your appreciation for the City of Austin's diverse demographics and geography.

Served on multiple teams in the Austin area including PTA Treasurer, 4 years.

Board member of OWANA neighborhood council, 3 years.

Mentored students at Allison Elementary School, Del Valley School District.

For the past 3 years, I have volunteered with the Foundation Communities providing income tax preparation for the Austin low income population. Assist the low income people who are immigrants, disabled, and working poor submit tax returns and receive tax refunds. IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Standards of Ethics, Basic & Intermediate Levels Certified.

Volunteer activities at Foundations Communities in 2012 resulted in the following statistics:

Tax Preparation: Total Returns Completed & Quality Reviews performed: 37

Total Amount in Refunds: \$35,057

Tax Preparation Fees Saved: \$5,550

Reference available from Walter Moreau, Executive Director or Jackie Blair, Director of Volunteer Programs

Have volunteered with various community non-profit organizations including The Ophelia Project and now GenAustin, The Miracle Foundation, The Whole Planet Organization, and Keep Austin Beautiful. I have worked at Art From The Streets art sale for all 20 years.

I am quite active in outdoor activities over the past 30 years including paddling on the central Texas rivers, hiking and rock climbing, running in numerous 10k's and the Motorola 1/2 Marathon, and now very active with local bicycling, having ridden in the MS150 Houston-Austin Bike ride, for the last 7 years, raising thousands of dollars for MS research and treatment.

Please provide any other information you wish to be considered during the selection of the most qualified applicants for the Commission.

I earned the rank of Eagle in the Boy Scouts and continue to use the lessons I learned there including a sense of adventure and wonder in the natural world, values of compassion and service, and an understanding of teamwork and how diversity improves systems.

Lead an effort in our neighborhood to qualify and win a spot in Austin's tree planting program to reduce the "Urban Heat Island" effect by increasing the tree canopy. Resulted in 604 small and 343 large trees planted, and totaled 110.5 volunteered hours by the neighborhood residents.

Efforts like this led to OWANA being rated a "Top 10 Neighborhood" in the US.

I have attended every Austin City Limits Music Festival except for one year. I LOVE the spectacle of that event, the exposure to various music styles and artists that I would never otherwise be aware of, the exposure to the youth culture, and the quintessential magic of Austin, which I believe this festival truly represents. Meeting music enthusiasts from around the country and world, and seeing again and again, Austin through their eyes, I am continuously grateful of the blessings of living in Austin. Having arrived in Austin after the Armadillo World Headquarters closed and never having been able to enjoy that iconic cultural gem, I sense the same inclusive complementary meshing of styles at the ACLFest. It is not the mix of music that is the most significant feature. The magic is in the easy nature that the mixing happens. Cowboys and hippies, hip-hop and bluegrass, tejano and gospel, electronic and folk fans spend time together with smiles on their faces, and these blendings of style, taste, social station, educational backgrounds, and class, are an ongoing testament to the history and heritage and spirit of Austin.

As the Yale professor Edward Tufte has said, "The world is much more interesting than any one discipline."

DISCLAIMER

By submitting this application, I understand that I am giving the City Auditor permission to release my information to the public. In particular, I affirmatively consent to the release of the contact email address I have provided.

If I am appointed, my address, contact phone number and contact email address will be included on the City of Austin's website.

I understand my application is public information under the Texas Public Information Act. The information will be kept according to the City Auditor's records retention policies.

I understand that my participation on the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission is voluntary.

I understand the duties and terms of service for the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission as described above.

Under penalty of law, I swear or affirm that the preceding information in this application is in all things true and correct.

David Art

Signature of Applicant

2/19/2013

Date

GLOSSARY

- “Bundle” means to raise money as an intermediary for a council candidate by soliciting contributions on the candidate’s behalf.
- “Campaign committee” in regard to an “officer, employee or paid consultant of a campaign committee” means a candidate or a specific purpose political committee supporting or opposing a candidate.
- “Candidate” for elective office means a person whose name appeared on a ballot, or who was a declared write-in candidate, in a general or primary election. It does not mean a person who merely announced a candidacy or only filed campaign finance filings. This definition attempts to construe the term against ineligibility, avoid ambiguity and disputes of fact, and use the term in the way most commonly understood by a lay person.
- “City” means Austin.
- “City elective office” means the office of mayor and city council member.
- “City employee” means an employee on the City payroll, including a temporary or part-time employee. The term does not include an independent contractor. This definition follows the definition in Section 2-7-2 of the City Code.
- “City office,” with respect to appointment, means a municipal court judgeship (including a substitute judgeship), and membership on a commission, committee, board, task force, or other City body appointed by the mayor or the city council. This definition follows the definition of “city official” in Section 2-7-2 of the City Code, excluding those City officials who are covered separately as City employees.
- “Community college or university in the City of Austin” means a degree-granting post-secondary educational institution, accredited by a recognized accrediting agency under the Education Code, that grants one or more of the following: an associate’s degree, a bachelor’s degree, a master’s degree, or a doctorate, and that regularly conducts classes where the instructor and two or more students are physically present in a physical location within Austin’s city limits.
- “Contribution,” for purposes of calculating aggregate contributions to candidates for City elective office, includes all contributions to candidates for mayor and city council, and contributions to specific purpose political committees supporting or opposing those candidates.
- “County” refers to a county in which the City of Austin has territory.
- “County elective office” means an office that is voted on county-wide or an office that is voted on by the voters of a precinct drawn by a commissioners court.
- “Employee” with respect to a political party or campaign committee means a person who was paid a salary by the political party or campaign committee.
- “Local lobbyist” means a person required to register under Chapter 4-8 of the City Code.
- “Non-competitively bid contract” means a contract which must be awarded as provided in Section 252.043 of the Local Government Code (“lowest responsible bidder” or “best value for the municipality”).

- “Officer” with respect to the “campaign committee of a candidate for elective state, county or city office” means:
 - the campaign treasurer of a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office;
 - the campaign treasurer of a specific purpose political committee that supported or opposed a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office; or
 - an officer or director of an incorporated specific purpose political committee, incorporated for liability purposes only under Section 253.092 of the Texas Election Code, that supported or opposed a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office.
- “Officer” with respect to a political party means a precinct chair, a county chair, or a member of a party executive committee under Title 10 of the Texas Election Code.
- “Paid Consultant” with respect to work done for a political party or campaign committee means a person who was paid monetary consideration for providing legal services, accounting services, public relations services, statistical or polling services, or political or campaign-related services or advice.
- “Paid Consultant” with respect to the three year ban on paid consultancy with a council member, means having a “political or professional contract” with a council member as defined in this guidance.
- “Political or professional contract,” in the context of a contract with a council member, means a contract with a council member under which, in return for consideration, a person provided expert advice or personal services related to a council member's duties or to the council member's service as a council member, or provided advice about the conduct of campaign activities or holding office, or provided services to a council member that would be reportable on the council member's required campaign and officeholder filings under Title 15 of the Texas Election Code; Article III, §8 of the Austin City Charter; or Chapter 2-2 of the Austin City Code. This does not include a contract solely for the sale of goods.
- “Political party” means a political party that appeared on the ballot in any of the last three general elections for state and county officers.
- “Professional contract,” in the context of a contract with the City means a non-competitively bid contract other than a contract solely for the sale of goods.
- “State” means Texas.
- “State office” means an office held by a “state officer” as defined in Section 572.002 of the Government Code.
 - In the context of an appointment to a state office, “state office” means: the office of Secretary of State, an office of a state agency subject to appointment for a term of office specified by the Texas Constitution or a statute of this state; an office subject to appointment with the advice and consent of the senate; the position of executive head of a state agency; or a state office subject to election but filled by appointment because of a vacancy or because the office is newly created.
 - In the context of candidacy or election to a state office, “state office” means a seat in the legislature, an executive or judicial office filled in a statewide election; a judgeship of a court of appeals or of a district court; membership on the State Board of Education; or the position of district attorney or criminal district attorney.
- “Student” means a person actively enrolled in a community college or university on the date of the person’s application to the Commission.

